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SUBJ: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION - G-77 DRAFT DECLARATION

OF PRINCIPLES

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1. WE ARE DISTURBED BY INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL, NOT SO MUCH AS TO CONTENT, BUT AS TO WHAT WE FEEL IS FAILURE TO APPRECIATE CLEARLY NEGOTIATING POSTURE WHICH HAS DEVELOPED FROM TACTICS OF UN REPORTED IN EXTENSO OVER LAST TWO WEEKS. AS RESULT, INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL CANNOT BE FULLY CARRIED OUT AT THIS JUNCTURE. MOREOVER, ATTEMPT TO CREATE NEGOTIATING STANCE IN WHICH INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE CARRIED OUT WOULD RESULT IN ISOLATION US AND PLAY INTO HANDS HARD-LINE ALGERIAN AND YUGOSLAV TACTICS.

2. AS REPORTED OVER LAST TWO WEEKS, US HAS TAKEN POSITION THAT THERE FOUR MAJOR ISSUES WHICH, UNLESS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THERE IS RESOLUTION SATISFACTORY TO US, WOULD

PRECLUDE SUPPORT FOR DRAFT DECLARATION. THESE ISSUES ARE:
(A) PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY (INCLUDING PARA 3E (II);
(B) PRODUCERS CARTELS; (C) AID TO LIBERATION
MOVEMENTS; AND (D) INDEXATION. WE HAVE INSISTED,
MOST RECENTLY LATE PM THURSDAY, THAT NEGOTIATING GROUP
FOCUS ON THESE ISSUES RATHER THAN FOLLOW PROCEDURE
INSISTED UPON BY HOVEYDA AS REP OF G-77 TO GO THROUGH
TEXT LINE BY LINE. REASON FOR US POSITION IS THAT IT IS QUITE
POSSIBLE G-77 WOULD ACCEPT MODIFICATION OF TONE AND RHETORIC
ON OTHER PROVISIONS BUT INSIST ON MAINTAINING THEIR
POSITION ON AT LEAST THREE MAJOR PROVISIONS (EXCLUDING
INDEXATION). IN SUCH AN EVENTUALITY, US ALMOST CERTAINLY
WOULD BE LEFT ISOLATED WITH WEO'S EXPRESSING MILD RESERVATIONS
ON MAJOR ISSUES, BUT NONTHELESS JOINING CONSENSUS.

- 3. HAVING MOST RECENTLY RE-ASSERTED US POSITION IN AFORESAID LATE THURSDAY PM MEETING, DECLARATION NEW IN HANDS OF G-77 ALONG WITH US VIEWS AS CONVEYED TO G-77 BY HOVEYDA. TO CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS WOULD REQUIRE USG UPON RETURN OF TEXT TO NEGOTIATING GROUP TO COMPLETELY REVERSE POSITION AND CONSEQUENTLY DESTROY CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF LEVERAGE.
- 4. OF COURSE AFTER RESOLUTION OF MAJOR ISSUES WE WOULD THEN BE IN POSITION TO MAKE FURTHER JUDGMENT ABOUT US STANCE. WE SEE LITTEL UTILITY IN PUSHING ON ISSUES OTHER THAN MAJOR ISSUES IF IN FACT MAJOR ISSUES NOT RESOLVED TO OUR SATISFACTION. REASON FOR POSITION IS THAT IF WE REQUIRED TO TAKE NEGATIVE STANCE ON DECLARATION, POLITICAL SITUATION DICTATES THAT BEST OUTCOME WOULD BE FOR US, ALONG WITH OTHERS, TO VOTE AGAINST WORST VERSION OF UN-ACCEPTABLE TEXT RATHER THAN ISOLATING ITSELF VOTING AGAINST BEST VERSION OF UN-ACCEPTABLE TEXT.
- 5. WOULD APPRECIATE REACTIONS ASAP AS EVENTS MOVING VERY QUICKLY AND WILL DO SO THROUGH SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.
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